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FOR AMBASSADOR

1. REQUEST YOU PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO
FONMIN MINASSE HAILE:

QUOTE DEAR MR. MINISTER: I WAS VERY PLEASED TO HAVE THE
OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOU IN NEW YORK LAST WEEK AND
TO HAVE SUCH A HIGHLY USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON MATTERS
AFFECTING OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS.

SINCE THAT MEETING, AS YOU SO WELL KNOW, THE
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SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST HAS BECOME EXTREMELY SERIOUS.

AS THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES EXERT EVERY EFFORT TO END THE HOSTILITIES AND ESTABLISH A BASIS FOR PEACE IN THE AREA, IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT, IN MY JUDGMENT, FOR ALL INFLUENTIAL COUNTRIES TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BOTH SIDES IN THIS CONFLICT.

THE UNITED STATES HAS NOTED THE RECENTLY ACCELERATED MOVEMENT THROUGHOUT AFRICA AGAINST ISRAEL, INVOLVING AMONG OTHER THINGS THE BREAKING OF RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL BY SEVERAL COUNTRIES WHICH HAD HAD CLOSE AND FRUITFUL TIES WITH ISRAEL. MINDFUL OF YOUR OWN CLOSE RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL AND THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION WHICH ISRAEL

HAS MADE TO ETHIOPIA'S SECURITY, I WISH TO CONVEY THE HOPE THAT YOUR GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE NO ACTION WHICH WILL FURTHER ISOLATE ISRAEL FROM AFRICA.

WITH BEST PERSONAL REGARDS, HENRY A.
KISSINGER, END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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